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Additional Local.

Mrs. Joel Monroe visited in Cassopolis last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Miller are home from their western trip.

A rumor is prevalent here that Frank Clancy died recently in Washtenaw county.

Hinckley & Graham have put an elegant enclosed carriage on the Lawton back route.

An ice cream social will be held in the parlors of the Baptist church next Tuesday evening.

Webb Burke and Fred Patterson of Kalamazoo are guests at the home of R. W. Broughton.

The ladies of the Free Baptist church will sell ice cream in the court house yard next Tuesday, from 4 to 8 p. m.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Rowick next Thursday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. A general attendance is desired.

One of the finest jobs of house painting to be seen in this place is the new house of A. C. Martin. Wm. Ball is in charge of the job.

Mrs. H. M. Fluet of South Haven and her daughter, Mrs. H. T. Cook of Chicago (formerly Mrs. Preece), are the guests of Mrs. F. F. Clark.

The Goshen horse buyers who bought Ed. Phillips' horse last week were here again this week and picked up several good ones around the country.

The "H.S. & M." suits, sold only by E. Smith & Co., would be a credit to the best London tailor. They are the finest ready-made garments in the world.

Miss Sarah Foster, a teacher in the Portland, Oregon, schools, is spending a part of this week at Harry Dopp's, a guest of Misses Edie and Isa Howard.

W. J. Means of Grand Rapids, formerly of South Haven and Antwerp, brought the body of his wife Wednesday for burial in the Fifth cemetery, Antwerp.

From June 15 to August 7, forty-five working days, 523 postal money orders were paid at the Paw-Paw postoffice, amounting to \$2,680.80—a nice sum of money to put into circulation.

A representative of R. G. Dunn & Co. has been in town this week, looking up the financial standing of Paw Paw business houses. He says that few small towns have business men so generally responsible as our own.

You furnish the baby, and Cumings' dry goods stock will do the rest in the way of baby fixings. Their lines in this department are always complete—all the way from the tiny safety pin up to the most superb infant's robe.

Under the provisions of a new law enacted by the last legislature of this state, all girls between the ages of sixteen and eighteen years, who contemplate matrimony, must obtain the written consent of either father, mother or guardian, as the case may be, and cause the same to be filed with the county clerk before he is authorized to issue a marriage license. Blank forms for such consent can be obtained on application to that officer.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers of real estate were recorded in the register's office during the past week:

John Schauer to Martin Brant and wife; n e q n w q 31 Covert; \$1000.

Celinda A. Miller to Chas. Miller; n e q s e q 35 Bangor; \$1100.

J. S. Cross to The Squier-Dingee Co.; 4 a vill Bangor; \$600.

Catharine Smith to W. B. Teman and wife; middle one-third lot 4 blk 2 Gobleville; \$850.

F. F. Woolsey to H. T. Thomas; 7 blk 1 Warren's add Hartford; \$75.

A. C. McCann to O. C. Cackler; and 1/2 lot 4 blk 2 Gobleville; \$600.

M. G. Wise to C. A. Ruell and wife; lot on blk 18 Pine Grove; \$200.

Maria E. Cash to G. F. Smith; e h lot 5 and 40 feet n end lot 4 blk 5 Phelps' add Lawrence; \$100.

Lucy J. Williams to Edwin Williams; s w q n e q 34 Columbia; \$350.

Ella M. Voorhees to Augustus Voorhees; lots 17-18 blk 1 H. C. & Co's add; n 18 q e h w h n e q 11, and pt w h e h n e q 2 South Haven; \$2000.

Orrin Powell to James Powell; e h n w q 18 ex 5 a Pine Grove; \$2000.

C. B. Charles to John Crippin; n h s h n w q s e q 23 Bangor; \$400.

Margaret A. Hugheson to Ida Van Blaricom; n h lots 1-4 block 30 Paw Paw; \$800.

J. P. Livermore to P. J. Ackerson; lot vill Bangor; \$250.

R. C. Eaton to F. B. Hill; lot vill South Haven; \$5000.

A. B. Copley to Mary J. Jones; 60 a n w q 2 Lawrence; \$1750.

T. E. Coon to Jacob Bush; lot 6 blk 2 Grand Junction; \$200.

Carrie J. Monroe to J. R. Means; and 1/2 lot 1 blk 13 D. H. & Co's addition South Haven; \$40.

G. A. Davis to Lucette Cole; n w q n w q and w 10 a n e q n e q 14 Waverly; \$1600.

P. N. Knaggs to A. W. Heal; e h lot 7 blk 16 South Haven; \$100.

Lurella Foster to J. G. & H. Oppenheim; s h n w q 35 Columbia; \$900.

REUNION.

Company "C," Third Michigan Cavalry, at Lawrence.

The 10th annual reunion of Co. "C," 3d Mich. Cav., which was held at Lawrence on Thursday and Friday last, was one of the most successful and enjoyable affairs of the kind in the history of the company. The meeting took place in the beautiful grove on the farm of H. B. Clark, about half a mile west of the village. The following named members of the company, most of them accompanied by their wives and families, were present: O. W. Rowland, Henry Chatfield, S. P. Harvey, G. A. Cross, E. W. Monroe, John Blaisdale, G. W. Peabody, Frank Branch, Cornelius Buys, Andrew Cochran, Andrew Gilbreath, Amos Dopp, J. P. Goss, James Dobert, Harris Hilliard, A. F. Huribut, Charles Hilliard, E. S. Hognire, F. N. Kelly, J. H. Kelly, L. E. Lamphear, Truman Lamphear, Shortis Mitchellson, Ford Murch, O. D. Martin, J. B. Marshall, J. J. Moses, R. C. Nymen, R. D. Norton, F. C. Rhodes, Augustus Voorhees, H. A. Wells, James Widner, J. C. Ward, D. M. Ward, M. H. Hognire and E. S. Jelly. Besides these, two honorary members were present, T. C. Tyeer and Dr. A. S. Haskin, making thirty-nine in all.

Forty-two of the "Juniors," a society composed of the sons and daughters of the members of the company, were in attendance, making in all a company of about one hundred. A campfire, under the auspices of the Juniors, was held Thursday evening, at the G. A. R. hall, at which a very pleasing program was presented, and which was largely attended, the hall being packed to its fullest capacity. At dinner on the second day, the ladies of the relief corps served ice cream to all the members of the two companies, a courtesy that was very much appreciated. The following officers were elected: Capt. G. A. Cross; 1st Lieut. A. F. Huribut; 2nd Lieut. Amos Dopp; Q. M. J. H. Kelly. The "boys" were so well pleased with the success of their reunion and with the way they were received and treated by the Lawrence people that they voted to hold their next annual meeting at the same place. The following are the names of the officers elected by the Juniors: President, George Chatfield; vice-president, — Donovan; secretary, Lizzie Monroe; treasurer, Rose Branch; ex. committee, Claude Harvey, Lucy Chatfield, Edna Goss.

Company "C" was organized in September, 1861, having in its ranks just an even hundred men—or more properly boys—and every one of them was a Van Buren county boy. They rendezvoused at Grand Rapids, where they were mustered into the service of their country. After nearly two and a half years arduous service, the company re-enlisted and was finally mustered out in March, 1866, having been in the field four and a half years, and having won an enviable reputation as being one of the best cavalry companies in the south-west, in which part of the country their entire term of service was spent. During the period the company was in the army, 197 men were numbered among its members; 139 of these men were from this county and fifty-one of them from the township of Lawrence. It will be readily seen that no more appropriate locality could be selected for holding a meeting of the company. Sometimes visitors at the camp, when the company meets in annual reunion, are disappointed because they do not see more display by way of military drill and because they do not hear more public speaking, but the old veterans do not care for that kind of thing. They meet solely for a social time and to get better acquainted with each other's families and to renew old associations. They are always pleased to see their friends, but do not promise to get up any special entertainment for their benefit. Thirty-four years have elapsed since they entered into the service and now they propose to get all the enjoyment possible for themselves and their families out of these annual meetings.

If your dealer tells you that something else is "just as good" as Doan's Ointment for Hives, Pimples, Itching Piles, or other Itchiness of the skin, tell him you want the original. It is never-failing.

District Sunday School Convention.

The district Sunday school convention, held at the Crystal Springs camp grounds on Wednesday and Thursday of last week, was a very pleasant and profitable gathering and was pronounced a success by all who attended it. Van Buren county was not very well represented. The efficient president, O. Roberts, was in the chair at every session, putting life and enthusiasm into the work by his own interest and earnestness. Miss Mabel Hall of Chicago was present and charmed everybody by the attractive and artistic manner in which she presented primary work. The only disappointment of the convention was the absence of the state president, T. E. Barkworth, who telegraphed his failure to make railroad connections as he expected, much to his and the convention's regret. The visitors were kindly entertained in the tents and cottages on the grounds by the M. E. friends, who had just arrived to attend campmeeting.

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New Suits.

Bartholomew Hard vs. Clara Hard; divorce. T. J. Cavanaugh.

Hannah M. Van Auken vs. Lora A. Gould et al.; foreclosure. Titus & McNeil.

Amanda Bartram vs. The Cleveland Bay Horse Co. et al.; assumpsit. Heckert & Chandler.

A. Lynn Free vs. The Cleveland Bay Horse Co. et al.; assumpsit. A. Lynn Free.

TONIC JOINTS RAIDED.

Sheriff Lamberson and Seven Deputies Enter Two Places at South Haven.

Temperance people at South Haven have been kicking vigorously for some time past about the frequent and flagrant violations of the local option law in that place.

A short time since, the *Messenger* made a public protest, referring to one place as the "mysterious restaurant." A few days after the appearance of the article, the proprietors of the place, appreciating the value of newspaper advertising, caused a big sign, "Mysterious Restaurant," to be painted across the front of the building. The place was started as a restaurant a month or so since. The building faces Water street, and there is an alley at the rear, so with a complete restaurant for the front entrance, and a well-fitted "blind tiger" for the alley entrance, the place has done a thriving business. One of the business men said he counted 150 men go up the alley by his place in one day, where formerly there was seldom seen a person.

The other place which was the occasion of public protest is known as "Bob Barnes' place." This place, it is alleged, has run during the whole five years this county has been under the prohibition law, although there have been at least four arrests and convictions during its career. The place presents the appearance of a well-conducted billiard hall in the first part, and only those who are in the ring can enter the back room. Like the "Mysterious" this place also has a rear entrance.

Each place was fitted up with a hole in the wall in the back room, through which the initiated asked for what drinks he wanted, putting his money through the hole. Then the liquor came out, the purchaser never seeing the seller, and not knowing who was running the place. One place was fitted up with electric signal bells. This secrecy made it very hard to obtain evidence against the violators of the law, and they thought themselves secure.

Accordingly a raid was arranged to be made on these two places Tuesday night. Sheriff Lamberson appointed four special deputies and notified Deputy VanCamp of Decatur and Deputy Britton of Bangor. These, with the sheriff himself and Under Sheriff Thomas made a posse of eight. The sheriff and three of the deputies crossed the country to prevent any suspicion of their mission being aroused.

It was planned to enter both places simultaneously at 8:30 o'clock, which was done, two officers being at the front and rear entrances of each place. No resistance was encountered and the officers entered the inner rooms and found large stocks of liquors of all kinds, samples of which were obtained. John McDonough, Will Barnes, Asa Benson and Frank Ludwick were arrested on warrants the officers took with them. The officers found plenty of evidence, they think; two of the deputies took supper at the restaurant and purchased liquor at the place.

The parties were brought here and arraigned before Justice Warner. They demanded examinations. McDonough's was set for Tuesday next, Barnes' for Wednesday, Benson's for Thursday and Ludwick's for Friday, at 9 a. m. in each case. It is understood McDonough and Ludwick, who are supposed to have been employed only, will waive examination. Bail was fixed at \$800 in each case, and satisfactory bonds were given.

CURED BY THUNDER.

Speech and Hearing Restored to a Man Deprived of Both by Dynamite.

John Connell, an inmate of the city poor farm at Marshall, since October, was released recently, says the Baltimore American. When he went there Connell was insane and deaf. His cure has been effected by a clap of thunder. Director George Booth, of the department of charities, and Superintendent Liedeman, of the farm, vouch for the truth of the story. One night Connell went to his room as usual. He had been acting very queerly and his roommate was cautioned to keep watch over him. About midnight the two were awakened by the storm which began that night. The storm was broken by the tremendous clap of thunder.

The peal had hardly died away when Connell sprang from his bed and raised a shout that startled the entire building. Finding that he could shout, the man began dancing about the room. He yelled, clapped his hands and sang, while tears of joy ran down his face. Up to that hour none in the establishment had known his name. Being dumb he could not give any account of himself. Now, however, he has given his name as John Connell, and he says he was born in Pittsburgh and seven years ago went west.

Eventually he secured work at a mine owned by a California company. His two brothers obtained work in the same mine. One day there was a terrific explosion in the mine and Connell was the only man taken out alive. His two brothers were killed. Connell was removed to a hospital maintained by the miner's union, and, after being unconscious for ninety-six hours, recovered to find his voice gone and his mind wandering. He was awakened, he says, by the clap of thunder, and regards his recovery as a miracle. He says the loss of his hearing was attributed by the California doctors to the explosion of dynamite in the mine.

Abraham's Lincoln's Grandfather.

R. T. Durrett, of Louisville, at one time an editorial writer on the *Courier-Journal*, in a letter to City Controller Sturgeon makes the following reference to the grandfather of Abraham Lincoln: "The grandfather of President Lincoln settled in Jefferson county, Ky., in 1780 on a tract of four hundred acres of land, where the old Long Run Baptist meeting-house now stands. The land warrant which was issued to him for this land bears date of March 4, 1780, and his name appears in it as 'Abraham Linkhorn.' He was killed on this land by the Indians in 1780. Morgan Hughes also owned a tract of five hundred acres of land adjoining the Lincoln tract, and, like Lincoln, was one of the earliest settlers of Jefferson county. On this land of Hughes' an old station, known as Hughes' Station, was built at an early date, and Lincoln was residing in this station when he was killed by the Indians."

Divorce Statistics.

Melvin A. Root of Bay City has undertaken an investigation of the statistics of divorces in Michigan for certain years, on behalf of the National Association for the Advancement of Women, whose vice-president for Michigan, Mrs. L. H. Stone of Kalamazoo, delegated him the task. Correct statistics of divorces are scarcely less important to a complete system of vital statistics than those of marriages, births and deaths, as the returns of marriages and births are largely affected by the number of divorces granted. There is no provision in the registration law for the return and compilation of divorces that annually occur in this state.

County Clerk Squier has prepared for Mr. Root the following:

	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905
No. of divorce suits begun	14	32	27	39	39
No. of decrees granted	27	32	25	24	24
No. of cases otherwise disposed of	4	7	1	4	2
No. of suits still pending	3	7	1	4	15

Probate Court Proceedings.

Following is a synopsis of the proceedings in Judge Heckert's court for the week ending August 8:

In the matter of Volney E. King, minor; license to sell real estate granted.

Estate of George Peckham, deceased; petition to determine lawful heirs adjourned to Aug. 19.

Estate of Fannie M. Comstock, deceased; order allowing claims.

Estate of Oliver E. Cox, deceased; order allowing claims and petition for license to sell real estate; hearing Sept. 3.

Estate of Frances Carby, deceased; Charles Rockwell appointed administrator.

Estate of Eli P. Smith, deceased; Julian Sheldon appointed administrator.

Estate of David M. Dailey, deceased; order allowing claims.

Estate of Betsey C. Nelson, deceased; W. R. Sirrine appointed administrator *de bonis non*.

Estate of Adolph Bender, deceased; final account allowed; administrator discharged.

Estate of Alonzo Stevens, deceased; estate closed to creditors.

Estate of Eliza Earl, deceased; administrator discharged.

Estate of Oliver Elmore, deceased; petition for license to sell real estate; hearing Sept. 4.



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